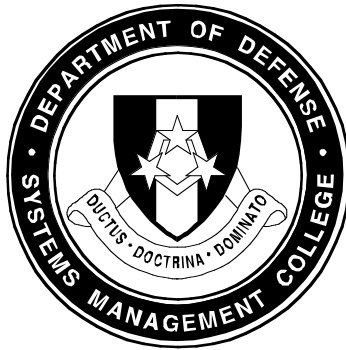


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PREFACE

The 1996 *Joint Program Management Handbook, 2d Edition*, updates the 1994 edition; which was a replacement for the 1987 *Joint Logistics Commander's Guide for The Management of Joint Service Programs*, published by the Defense Systems Management College (DSMC). This Handbook addresses changes in the joint requirements process and the March 1996 revisions of the Department of Defense (DoD) 5000 Documents [Series] directive and regulation. If you are new to the acquisition process, or unfamiliar with changes to the acquisition process that have taken place since 1991, you should use this Handbook in concert with Professor Joseph Schmoll's *Introduction to Defense Acquisition Management, 3d Edition*, (DSMC Press, June 1996).

Similar to the *Introduction to Defense Acquisition Management, 3d Edition*, this Handbook also provides a quick guide to refresh the skills of experienced acquisition management professionals and serves as an introduction to joint acquisition management for students and newcomers. The views of experienced joint program managers are quoted within this guide to give practical advice to the reader.

Suggested additions, deletions, and other changes are encouraged from readers of this publication. For your convenience, at the back of this Handbook is a postage-paid Customer Feedback form. Please take a few minutes to fill it out and help us improve our publication.

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